

REMARKS

This application has been carefully reviewed in light of the Office Action dated April 5, 2005. Claims 1 to 4, 6 to 17, 19 to 26 and 40 are pending in the application, of which 1, 14 and 27 are independent. Reconsideration and further examination are respectfully requested.

As an initial matter, Applicant thanks the Examiner for the indication that Claims 1 to 4, 6 to 17 and 19 to 26 are allowed and that Claim 40 would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.

The title was objected to as not being descriptive. Applicant has submitted a new title. Accordingly, reconsideration and withdrawal of this rejection are respectfully requested.

The specification was objected to for an informality. Applicant has amended the specification in accordance with the Examiner's suggestion. Accordingly, reconsideration and withdrawal of this rejection are respectfully requested.

Claims 27 to 39 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 101 because the claimed invention was directed to non-statutory subject matter. Claims 27 to 30 and 32 to 39 have been amended to direct the claims to a "computer-executable program stored on a computer-readable medium" in accordance with objected-to Claim 40. Claim 40 has been canceled. Accordingly, reconsideration and withdrawal of this rejection are respectfully requested.

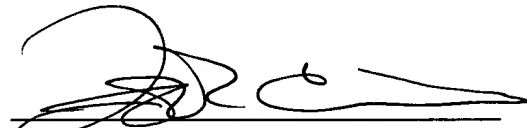
Claims 5, 18 and 31 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which applicant regards as the invention. Claims 5, 18 and 31 have been canceled

without prejudice or disclaimer of subject matter. Applicant respectfully submits that this rejection is now moot.

No other matters being raised, Applicant believes that the entire application is now in condition for allowance, and such action is courteously solicited. If the Examiner does not agree that the Application is now in condition for allowance, Applicant requests that Examiner contact Applicant's representative as indicated below in order to resolve any remaining matters.

Applicant's undersigned attorney may be reached in our Costa Mesa, CA office at (714) 540-8700. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our below-listed address.

Respectfully submitted,

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